# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# FINANCE
# LOK SABHA

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`INVESTMENT OF FOREIGN EXCHANGE IN SECURITIES/BONDS`
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**Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:**

(a) the amount of foreign exchange money invested in Securities or Bonds in other countries during each of the last three years; and

(b) the interest earned on such investments during the said period?

## Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI P. K. BANSAL )

(a) : The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has intimated that the investment of RBI`s foreign currency assets in bonds / securities (including treasury bills) for the past three years is as under:

| As on | Amount in US$ millions |
|---|---|
| June 30, 2004 | 35,569 |
| June 30, 2005 | 32,512 |
| June 30, 2006 | 39,901 |

(b) : The RBI`s earnings from the deployment of foreign currency assets and gold during the said period was as under:

| Year ended | Amount in rupees crore |
|---|---|
| June 30, 2004 | 9,103.50 |
| June 30, 2005 | 16,979.47 |
| June 30, 2006 | 24,538.03 |

RBI does not publish data on interest on foreign securities separately.